

Admission in MBBS/BDS Courses and Conditions for House Job/ Internship/ Foundation Year Regulations 2013

Pakistan Medical & Dental Council



NOTIFICATION

Whereas it is expedient to lay down the conditions for admission in the MBBS and BDS course and rules for house job in order to ensure uniform standard of medical and Dental Education in the Country. Hence, in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (b) of Section 37 of the Medical & Dental Council (Amendment) Act. 2012, by amending sub-section (2) of Section 33 of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962(XXXII of 1962), the approved regulations are as under namely:-

PART - I

PRELIMINARY

- 1. Short title and commencement:- (1) These regulations may be called the "Admission in MBBS and BDS Course and House job/ Internship/ Foundation Year Regulations 2013".
- (2) They shall come into force for admissions from 2013 and onwards.
- (3) These regulations shall extend to all medical and dental colleges in the Country recognised under the PM&DC ordinance 1962 and all admissions into their MBBS/BDS courses shall be governed by these regulations.

PART - II

ADMISSIONS IN MBBS/BDS

2. Number of Annual Admissions in MBBS/BDS: The number of annual admissions in the medical and dental institutions shall be determined by the



Council after evaluation of infrastructure and the teaching facilities. The annual admissions in the institutions shall be strictly as per allocation of seats by the Council. All quotas/ special seats shall be adjusted within the approved annual number of seats by the Council for the institution. The total annual admissions in an MBBS course shall not exceed 350 in a public sector medical institution and 150 in a private sector medical institution. The total annual admissions in the BDS course shall not exceed 100 in a public sector dental institution and 80 in a private sector dental institution which are stand alone and 75 BDS in a dental college with a medical college. These ceilings are applicable even when the facilities in the institution are more than that required by the PM&DC as per its criteria for recognition of institutions. In case of any over admission and violation of annual seat allocation done by the Council, penal action shall be initiated by the Council against the admitting authorities which may include derecognition of the college, stopping next year admission or reduction in next year admission. A repeat offender college will be de-recognized and legal recourse shall be taken against the admitting authorities.

- 3. Rules of the Central Entry Test (1) An entry test shall be mandatory for admission in MBBS/BDS course in Pakistan and shall be taken of only the eligible candidates. The eligibility criteria of the candidates to sit in the entry is given in these regulations.
 - (2) The provincial Governments shall make arrangements for holding a central entry test for admission in MBBS/BDS for both private and public institution in their respective provinces in order to determine the order of merit and no admission shall be given to the resident of that Province without it unless specified below. The Provincial Governments shall by notification constitute the Central admission authority for admission to the Public Colleges of that Province. At least two paper setters from A-level teaching institutions shall be co-opted in the paper setting team by the

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provincial/ NTS authorities. The entry test of one provincial authority/ NTS shall be acceptable for admission in other provinces in private colleges and public colleges in territories not conducting their own entry tests. The Provincial Central Entry/ NTS test shall be held as soon as possible after declaration of F.Sc. result by the Higher Secondary Education/ Intermediate Boards. The Provincial authority/ NTS shall complete all formalities, including holding of the entry test and declaration of its result for admission of public medical and dental colleges before 31st October each year or within four weeks of declaration of the result of F.Sc. by the Higher Secondary Education/ Intermediate Boards whichever is earlier so that the final merit list of public colleges reaches PM&DC before 31st October. The Provincial Central admission authority/ NTS shall form the final merit for admission in medical and dental colleges by after giving due weightage to Matric/ equivalent, F.Sc. Intermediate/ HSSC equivalent and the entry test marks as given in these regulations.

- (3) Private medical and dental institutions in all provinces shall advertise for admission of students only after the determination of final order of merit by the respective provincial testing/ admission authorities or 31st October whichever is earlier. They will not conduct their own entry test and shall form final merit by utilizing the Provincial/ Government/ NTS test result in their province/ territory, however they may conduct the aptitude test and interview as per these rules.
- (4) For admissions in medical and dental institutions located in the Islamabad Capital Territory, a central entry test shall be held by the Federal Government under the arrangements of NTS.
- (5) All admissions for both public and private colleges, shall be completed by 30th November each year and lists of admitted students shall be submitted to PM&DC for their registration by PM&DC. Students admitted after due date shall not be registered by PM&DC.

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- (6) Entry test conducted by the Government anywhere through NTS in special cases will be acceptable country wide.
- (7) The Entry test shall be valid for only that year in the public and private colleges. SAT and MCAT scores can be utilized within two years.
- (8) The pattern of the test paper of the entry test shall be determined and announced by the Provincial Central Admission Authority/ NTS. There shall not be any pass marks for the entry test and all marks obtained shall be declared.

The admitting authority shall determine the order of merit while allocating the following weightage to the following marks

Matric/equivalent	-	10%
Pakistan F.Sc./ HSSC/ Intermediate(Pre- medical)/ equivale	ent-	40%
Entry Test	-	50%

The admitting authority may allow an institutional aptitude test/interview by the college which can have a maximum weightage of 25% from the total value of weightage of the entry test weightage e.g. out of 50% entry test overall weightage 75% is of the entry test and 25% to the aptitude test/interview.

- 4. All quotas are to be adjusted within the seat allocations done by the Council for that institution. Any over admission or violation of this rule shall result in penal action against the admitting authorities and over-admitted students will not be accepted or registered by the Council.
- 5. Minimum Academic Requirements for Admission in the MBBS/BDS Course:
 - (1) For admission on merit seats in public colleges:

The candidate who has passed the (F.Sc.) Intermediate Science /HSSC Examination (Pre-Medical Group) securing at least 60% marks in aggregate, unadjusted, from a Board of Higher Secondary Education/ Intermediate/ F.Sc. in Pakistan shall be eligible to take the entry test for admission in MBBS/BDS. The candidates who are yet to pass any or



both years of the (F.Sc.) Intermediate Science/ HSSC Examination (Pre-Medical Group) are not eligible for the entry test.

OR

The candidate who has passed an examination equivalent to (F.Sc.) Intermediate Science/ HSSC Examination level of Pakistan from a foreign university or examining body or foreign education system with three subjects out of which Biology and Chemistry are essential subjects with 60% marks in aggregate as certified by IBCC to be equivalent to (F.Sc.) The equivalence by IBCC in the above terms shall be accepted in aggregate and the candidate shall be eligible to take the entry test for admission in the MBBS/BDS course with any study group whichever the IBCC may write.

OR

The candidate who has passed an examination higher than the F.Sc./ HSSC/ intermediate of a Pakistani University with Biological Sciences provided he/she has passed the Intermediate Science (F.Sc. Examination) (pre-medical Group) where securing at least 60% marks in aggregate, unadjusted, from a Pakistani University or an equivalent examination of a Board of intermediate/ higher Secondary Education in Pakistan and he shall be eligible to take the entry test for admission in MBBS/BDS.

- (2) Admission on Merit Seats/ Pakistani Seats in Private Colleges and Foreign Seats/ Self Finance Seats in Public and Private Colleges:
 - a. Admission in a private college and in a public medical or dental college on reserved seats/ self finance/ special seats/ quota seats shall given only to a candidate who has passed an examination equivalent to intermediate level of Pakistan from a foreign university or examining body or foreign education system with three subjects out of which Biology and Chemistry are essential subjects with 60%

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marks in aggregate as certified by IBCC to be equivalent to F.Sc./ HSSC/ intermediate. The equivalence by IBCC in the above terms shall be accepted in aggregate and the candidate shall be eligible for admission in the MBBS/BDS course with any study group whichever the IBCC may write.

The candidate shall have to appear in the provincial entry test or in lieu of the entry test of the admission authority, the candidates is required to have passed SAT II examination score with minimum 550 marks in each of the three subjects of which two have to be Biology and Chemistry or MCAT with minimum aggregate score of 24. The candidate is required to present a valid TOEFL or IELT with a minimum score of 500 or 5.5 only if the medium of instruction of study two years prior to application for admission/entry test is not English. An alternate to TOEFL and IELT is a certification by NUML Islamabad after a one year English language course.

- b. No admission shall be given in MBBS/BDS course on the foreign admission/ self finance seats or any other such Government or private scheme, without an entry test or the requisite SAT II examination score with minimum 550 marks in each of the three subjects of which two have to be Biology and Chemistry or MCAT with minimum aggregate score of 24 and other conditions laid down in 5(2)a above.
- c. Upto 15% of seats in college shall be allowed to be foreign admission/self finance. The foreign admission shall be filled only by person who meet the Council criteria for admission on such seats. If foreign admission/self finance seats are left vacant in any college, a local student can be admitted on such seat subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria for admission as given in regulation 5(2)a above.

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Eligibility Criteria for Admission on Foreign/ Overseas Seats: Background

- A. The principle is to encourage foreign students and ex-pats to explore and come for their medical and dental education to Pakistan which offers a wide range of exposure to medical issues and a very cost effective and time effective completion of medical and dental education. Countries like India and Far East are rapidly offering facilitation to students who wish to explore the possibility, a huge Diaspora of Pakistani origin overseas families wish for their children to get this education in Pakistan but are forced to look elsewhere because of various hurdles and restrictions in our system. This deprives the students the opportunity of pursuing their profession of choice and the foreign remittance that is so dearly needed to boost our economy. One classical example is the rigid stance of the IBCC for various subjects and undue underscoring of individuals coming from abroad.
- B. There are well reputed and well established international examinations which test the competency of students and are use world over to determine eligibility for admission to university programs, including medicine and dentistry. These examinations are significantly superior to many of our local systems and are much more discriminatory in identifying high performing students.

Based on the above points following eligibility criteria are laid down:

- All students applying on foreign students quota will be eligible to sit in the entry test for medical and dental seats if they have any of the following prerequisites.
 - a. A SAT-II score of equal or more than 550 in three subjects two of which should be biology and chemistry, the third may be a science or of a humanities subject.

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b. A score of greater or equal to 24 in the MCAT exam.

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- c. IBCC equivalence certificate with a score of equal to or greater than 60%.
- 2. Such students will sit in an entrance test offered by the institution based on institutional practice and priorities (these might be composed of various science subjects, English language and aptitude).
- 3. The institutes will utilize the scores in the test and the eligibility exams scores as per their policies to determine the merit order so that the most deserving candidates are selected.

Note:

This option will not be available to students who have completed their education within Pakistani systems within Pakistan or overseas, who will need to present their intermediate scores or IBCC equivalence certificate.

- d. The following categories of students shall be eligible for admission on the foreign admissions/ self finance seats if they fulfill the following conditions.
- i. Pakistani national student who has passed an examination equivalent to intermediate level of Pakistan from a foreign university or examining body or foreign education system with three subjects out of which Biology and Chemistry are essential subjects shall be eligible to appear in the entry test for admission in MBBS/BDS. If they have any of the following:
 - a. A SAT-II score of equal or more than 550 in three subjects two of which should be Biology and Chemistry, the third may be a science or of a humanities subject.

OR

b. A score of greater or equal to 24 in the MCAT exam.





c. IBCC equivalence certificate with a score of equal to or greater than 60%

The candidate may also appear in the provincial entry test.

The candidate is required to present a valid TOEFL or IELT with a minimum score of 500 or 5.5 only if the medium of instruction of study two years prior to application for admission/entry test is not English. An alternate to TOEFL and IELT is a certification by NUML Islamabad after a one year English language course.

ii. Foreigners and Pakistanis having dual nationality/ resident status of a foreign country shall be eligible for foreign admissions irrespective of the place of their premedical study, Pakistan or abroad. The candidate is required to have passed F.Sc./ HSSC/ Intermediate from a Pakistan Board or an examination equivalent to intermediate level of Pakistan after study abroad from a foreign education system with three subjects out of which Biology and Chemistry are essential subjects.

They are eligible to appear in the entry test for admission in MBBS/BDS. If they have any of the following:

a. A SAT-II score of equal or more than 550 in three subjects two of which should be Biology and Chemistry, the third may be a science or of a humanities subject.

OR

b. A score of greater or equal to 24 in the MCAT exam.

OR

c. IBCC equivalence certificate with a score of equal to or greater than 60 %

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two have to be Biology and Chemistry or MCAT with minimum aggregate score of 24.

The candidate is required to present valid TOEFL or IELTS with a minimum score of 500 or 5.5 only if the medium of instruction of study two years prior to application for admission entry test is not English. An alternate to TOFEL and IELTS is a certification by NUML Islamabad after a one year English language course.

Pakistani students who studied abroad for and have passed premedical F.Sc./ HSSC/ Intermediate with more than 60% marks from Pakistani Boards from abroad shall have regulation 5(2)(a) as the avenue for admission in medical and dental colleges in Pakistan.

- 6. Due to the particular nature and demands of the profession, a candidate seeking admission should possess adequate mental and physical health to be able to obtain medical or dental education as prescribed and sustain its rigors and should be able to practice medicine or dentistry after he/ she has qualified and registered as medical or dental practitioner.
- 7. There shall be no minimum or maximum age limit for admission in MBBS/BDS course.
- 8. Verified Hafiz-e-Quran shall get credit, according to the government admission policy.
- 9. The Scheme of the MBBS/ BDS Program and approved as under:

YR	PROFESSIONALS FOR MBBS		EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY
1	1 st Professional	MBBS Part-I examination is replaced by 1 st Prof. (Semester 1&2)	Annual Examination shall be conducted by the respective University
2	2 nd Professional	MBBS Part-II examination is replaced by 2 nd Prof. (Semester 3&4)	do
3	3 rd Professional	-	do
4	4th Professional	-	do
5	5 th Professional	- isal&	do

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YR	PROFESSIONALS FOR BDS		EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY
1	1 st Professional		Annual Examination shall be conducted by the respective University
2	2 nd Professional		do
3	3 rd Professional	.	do
4	4 th Professional	- -	do

The Executive Committee/ Council also decided that as under:

"Any student who fails to clear first Professional in four chances availed or un-availed and has been expelled on that account shall not be eligible for continuation of medical/ dental studies of the MBBS or BDS and shall not be eligible for fresh admission as a fresh candidate in either MBBS or BDS.

Any student who fails to clear 2nd Professional in four chances availed or un-availed and has been expelled on that account shall not be eligible for continuation of medical studies of the MBBS and shall not be eligible for fresh admission as a fresh candidate in either MBBS or BDS".

A student who has availed the chances to clear the First Professional examination or part thereof in four chances availed or un-availed and has been expelled on that account shall not be eligible for continuation of medical/ dental studies of the MBBS or BDS course and shall not be eligible for fresh admission as a fresh candidate in either MBBS or BDS.

- 10. Fee and Refund of Fee (i) The fee shall be charged annually on year to year basis only and at the beginning of each year. There shall be no extra tuition fee for supplementary examination and students repeating the year shall be charged 25% less for one year only and after that full yearly fee shall be charged.
 - ii. No medical or dental institution training for MBBS/ BDS in the private sector shall charge tuition fee more than Six lacs per annum per student. This fee shall exclude University examination fee, taxes,

hostel fee, transport fee and the one time admission fee which shall not be more than Rupees Fifty Thousand only. Copies of all receipts shall be submitted to PM&DC.

- iii. The fee for foreign admission in private or public colleges can be on foreign currency and shall not exceed more than eighteen thousand dollars per annum all inclusive and not even one dollar over this will be charged on any pretext.
- iv. If the student wishes to leave the institution before the session or within two weeks after the commencement of classes then there shall be a 100% refund of all deposit fee except for the one time admission fee. If the student wishes to leave the institution within one month of joining or commencement of classes, there shall be 50% refund of all deposited fee and if the student wishes to leave the institution after one month of commencement of classes then there shall be no refund. (These are also criteria of HEC).
- v. Any other monetary demand or any other charge/donation on any pretext other than the annual fee as laid down in these regulations or any other non compliance of these regulations if reported shall be construed a major violation and shall make the institution liable for action under section 22 of the PM&DC Ordinance, 1962.
- 11. In strict compliance with the regulations regarding registration of medical and dental students published in the official gazette vide PART-IX of S.R.O-07(KE)/2009, Pakistan Registration of Medical and Dental Practitioners Regulations 2008, all medical and dental students shall be registered with PM&DC and students who are not registered with PM&DC shall not be considered medical or dental students.
- 12. In lieu of dropout students/ vacant seats in the first two years, the institution may admit students in subsequent admission so as to maintain total admission strength allowed to the institution in the first two years only and

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that should not be more than 10% of allocated seats per year. The failures/ detained students shall be counted in the strength of the class in this connection. A dropout student will be a registered student of the college, admitted after due process and all dropped out students shall be reported to the Council with evidence. The expelled number of students after failure to succeed in four attempts in the 1st Year and 2nd Year Examination in lieu of dropout students/ vacant seats in the first two years, the institution may admit students in subsequent admission so as to maintain total admission strength allowed to the institution in the first two years only and that should not be more than 10% of allocated seats per year. Details of all failures/detained students and dropout students shall be submitted to the PM&DC office. Once the PM&DC office gives permission and defines the number of admission which can be done in lieu of dropouts/ vacant seats after study of record and upon satisfaction that vacancies existed as per seat allocation after deduction of retained students, only then new students can be admitted till 30th January each year and PM&DC office shall register the new students. New students admitted without permission or over and above total allowed strength of first two years shall not be registered by the PM&DC. A final report shall then be placed before the Executive Committee for information".

Example:- if a college is allowed admission of one hundred seats annually but only 80 students remain including detained/failure, only then the college can admit 10% of the total allocated number of seats. Vacancies in the third year cannot be filled in a new admission".

Study Gap:

13. That a period of five (05) years would be permitted for continuation of MBBS/BDS classes after discontinuation of studies by any students for any reason. The validity for any examination at international level is three (03) therefore, the period of absence may be only for three year. After three

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years he / she has to re-take the last professional examination. However, during the absence of three years he/ she has to fulfill the requirements of training of that year in which he/ she left the class.

The Council also modified the earlier decision of the Council "to the extent of final year drop-out only, irrespective of time and subjects failed in, provided such person repeat the entire final year class with a minimum of ninety percent attendance".

PART-III

HOUSE JOB/ FOUNDATION YEAR

- 14. All rules regarding House job gazatted in the Pakistan Registration of Medical and Dental Practitioners Regulations 2008 shall continue to apply.
- 15. A house job is compulsory for full registration with Pakistan Medical and Dental Council. Only provisionally registered Doctors shall be eligible for house job and house job can only commence after provisional registration. Any internship done prior to the provisional registration shall not be acceptable as house job towards attainment of full registration.
- 16. House job Training shall be carried out in a hospital recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental Council for the house job.
- 17. The institution providing the house job shall ensure that the candidate possesses a valid PM&DC Provisional registration for house job when the house job training slot is being awarded.
- 18. For full registration as a medical practitioner, the house job /Foundation year shall have following criteria:

For full Registration the medical practitioner shall have the following modules as shown in the two modules;

Modules of Medicine and Allied -----six months

Modules of Surgery and Allied -----six months



Each module has to be completed separately, and should be in the same hospital or some other institution provided that is recognized by the PM&DC.

Regarding the breakup of the modules there is confusion as nothing is mentioned about other specialties in both the modules (Medical and allied, Surgical and allied), the break shall be left for the candidate choice and the concerned department related with the said modules.

It was informed that the breakup of the columns of the house job modules can be deleted and be replaced by the above mentioned distribution.

BLS course shall be mandatory during house job if not done during final year.

Assessment exam after completion of house job is also a requirement to be fulfilled by the institution and the completion certificate shall be issued to the doctor after fulfillment of these requirements.

- 19. House job from Abroad. House Job from abroad in all the teaching hospitals affiliated with accredited medical or dental schools recognized for house job by the Medical Regulatory Authority of that country will be accepted by PM&DC. House job certificate issued in this regard by such hospitals and verified by the respective Medical Regulatory Authority of the country will be accepted by PM&DC.
- 20. Provisional registration certificate shall be issued for one year and may not be extended further without a valid reason. Provisional registration shall only be extended till completion of house job upto maximum of three years from the date of passing final year MBBS examination.
- 21. Foreign medical or dental graduates, after passing registration examination of National Examination Board of PM&DC shall be registered provisionally for house job purposes after notification by the Federal

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- Government and will be required to complete one year mandatory house job from the date of issue of the PM&DC provisional registration.
- 22. All Public and Private Institutions will be responsible to provide a paid house job to their graduates and any graduate of any other college doing housejob/ foundation year in the institution. Honorary house jobs in special circumstances will also be allowed in approved public sector hospitals if an applicant and a hospital so desires.
- 23. Foreign medical or dental graduates, registered as equivalent to LSMF or LDS after passing registration examination of National Examination Board of PM&DC shall not be awarded a paid house job, however, they may be allowed honorary observer ship for three years in an approved hospital on a request endorsed by the PM&DC office. After completion of this three year observership/ internship, the LSMF or LDS shall be converted into full registration equivalent to MBBS or BDS as the case may be.

PART- IV

REPEAL

- 24. All earlier regulations on the subject are repealed.
- 25. 2003 MBBS/ BDS Regulations are hereby repealed to the extent of conditions for admission in MBBS and BDS Course and conditions for house job and all previous decisions of the Council on these subjects in these regulations no longer hold field.
- 26. Except for the cohort group of Universities permitted specifically to carry out/ have semester/ modular system of examination and curriculum delivery, the 2003 MBBS/ BDS Regulations to the extent of MBBS/ BDS examination regulations/ rules will continue to hold field for all Universities and all subsequent orders in that context will be void ab-initio.

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27. All orders made, proceedings taken and acts done under the repealed regulations, orders and decisions shall deem to be and always to have been validly made or done.

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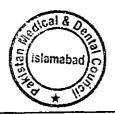
REGULATIONS

FOR

THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF MEDICINE
AND

BACHELOR OF SURGERY (M.B.B.S.)

Pakistan Medical & Dental Council Islamabad



INTRODUCTION

The Pakistan Medical & Dental Council is a body constituted by the Federal Government under the Pakistan Medical & Dental Council Ordinance, 1962. The Medical Education in Pakistan is controlled by the Council. One of the main functions of the Council is to lay down the minimum standard of basic and higher qualifications in Medicine & Dentistry. The Council under sub-section (2) of Section 33 of the said ordinance has been conferred with the powers to frame Regulations:

To prescribe a uniform minimum standard of courses of training for obtaining

graduate and postgraduate medical qualifications. To prescribe minimum requirements for the content and duration of courses of

studies for degree of M.B., B.S.

To prescribe condition for admission to courses of training for the degree of M.B., B.S.

In exercise of the powers referred to above these Regulations have been framed for regulating the Medical Education in Pakistan. These Regulations are to be followed by all the Medical Colleges and Universities in Pakistan with a view to attaining the basic minimum standard prescribed by the Council. These Regulations were approved by the Council in its (99th) Session held on 29th & 30th April, 2003.

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SECTION IV

<u>EXAMINATION</u>

OBJECTIVES

Evaluation is an essential part of the education process. There should be regular internal evaluations. The students should be evaluated in all 3 domains – cognitive, affective and psychomotor. The principles of internal evaluations should be uniformly applied by all medical colleges.

The purpose of evaluation should be:

- To give feed back to the students about their understanding of the course material.

 This purpose can be achieved by regular internal evaluation of each assignment or course.
- 2. To certify that the students have successfully completed the training and have achieved the objectives of the educational programme.
- 3. To determine the success of the teaching programme.
- 4. To motivate and encourage students to direct their own learning.

In order to achieve the objectives it is mandatory to adopt the following processes:

Continuous internal assessment consists of appropriate evaluation at the end of each assignment, term, stage or course of the curriculum. Proper records of internal evaluations should be maintained, and the scores obtained in these tests should contribute 10% the final total score of the candidates. Final university examinations of each subject should contribute 90% to the total score, and the students should secure passing marks on the aggregate of the total marks.

Whatever may be the system of marking, for all examinations throughout the medical course the percentage of pass marks in each subject should not be less than 50 - i.e. 50% in theory and 50% in practical.

The first professional examination should be divided into two parts, each to be conducted by the university. Any students who fails to pass the first professional MBBS Part-I and Part-II examination in three chances or does not avail the chances despite being eligible for each examination shall cease to pursue further medical education in Pakistan.

4. No students can be promoted to the higher classes unless he passes all the subjects of the previous classes.

No student should be eligible for a university examination without having attended 75% of the lectures, demonstrations, tutorials, and practical or clinical work both in-patients and out-patients.

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6. No student shall be promoted to the 3rd year of MBBS class without passing the First Professional MBBS Part-1 and Part-2 university examination in Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry.

7. No grace mark should be allowed in any examination.

8. There should be no more than two professional university examinations in a year.

9. The performance of candidates in all evaluations and examinations should be carefully supervised.

10. Maximum number of eligible examiners from amongst the teachers may be involved in the internal evaluation examinations.

11. Written examinations should consist of MCQs, short structured essays, extended essays etc.

12. Clinical and practical examinations should include standardized multiple station examinations whenever appropriate.

13. The final MBBS examination in Medicine, Surgery, Obstetric & Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Ophthalmology and HNT should not be further sub-divided.

14. The clinical examination in Medicine, Surgery, Obstetric and Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Ophthalmology and ENT should be held in adequately equipped hospitals.

In all professional examinations, sufficient time should be assigned to practical work to test the thoroughness of the candidate's knowledge and practical skills.

At least three academic years should intervene between the dates of passing the first professional examination and the final professional examination.

17. The final professional examination is not to be taken before the close of the fifth academic year of medical students.

18. External examiners should always be associated with local or internal examiners for written, oral and practical parts of university examinations.

19. Examiners for all subjects should be appointed from amongst the approved list of examiners of the Council. The number of external examiners and internal examiners shall be equal. External examiners should not be appointed for more than three consecutive years. The number of internal and external examiners should at least be one for a group of 100(One Hundred) students.

The internal examiner for various subject should be Professor and Head of Department who have been involved in teaching of the class being examined for at least six months and have delivered 50% of the total lectures. Second preference is Associate Professor/Assistant Professor who is involved in teaching of the class and posted there for one year. Third preference is a recognized professor of the subject, External Examiner should also be a Professor or Associate Professor of a recognized medical college or at least an Assistant Professor with three years teaching experience in the relevant subject.

21. Preparatory leave should not exceed one month in the first, second and third professional examination.

22. The gap between two consecutive papers should not be more than two days.

23. The result of each examination should be declared within one month of the last practical examination.

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